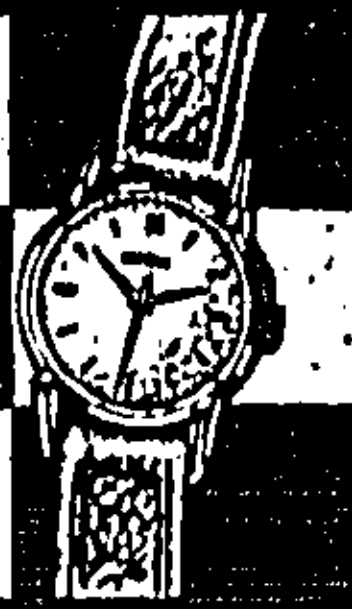


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Commons Questions On Students' Hostel

(Our Own Correspondent)

London, June 26. A new move in the threatened stay-in strike by Colonial students at Hans Crescent Hostel in London was made today by a Conservative MP, Mr. Peter Smithers. He has tabled three questions to the Colonial Secretary due for answer in the Commons this week.

The first question is whether the Colonial Secretary will consult with the British Council, which runs Hans Crescent, with a view to reaching a more satisfactory arrangement for the students; the second asks that the British Council keep the hostel open throughout the summer; the third, whether talks may be started between the British Council and the Treasury in order to find more hostel accommodation for Colonial students.

Students objecting to the notice to move out when the hostel closes next month as a prelude to the intake of a fresh batch of overseas students say they are still determined to remain in the hostel. When a British Council official was asked today what the Council proposed to do if the students still refused to go on July 15, he hinted at secret tactics. "But of course we hope reason will prevail," he said, and added "I can say nothing about the action we intend to take if they refuse to go."

The dispute arises from the terms of the agreement which all occupants of Hans Crescent had signed. They agreed to stay only one year but while the British Council maintain that this meant the academic year ending June 30 the students claim they understood it meant a calendar year.

Under a British Council ruling two-thirds of the students are required to find their own accommodation. Alternative accommodation is offered students wishing this, and the Council also offers them free transport.

AIR BATTLES
Thunderjets fought off MIGs attempting to stop a bomber flight on an attack mission in North Korea today. One enemy jet was destroyed and the rest were sent scurrying back across the Yalu River boundary into Manchuria.

The brief battle brought 24 Thunderjets into action with 12 MIGs.

In a separate action 29 Sabre jets clashed with approximately 40 MIGs. Results of this clash were not yet known.—Reuters.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Hongkong Traffic Problems

THE Traffic Department points with justifiable satisfaction to the progress made in dealing with the Colony's traffic problems and no one will deny those responsible the credit which is theirs for the obvious improvements brought about during the past four years. Most important result of the planned campaign to bring safety to our roads is the reduction in the number of accidents involving vehicles and pedestrians. The incidence of fatal accidents has been reduced by fifty per cent, and this despite the presence on the roads of a vastly greater number of cars. This, in itself, is a tribute to the effectiveness of the traffic control system and points also to a more intelligent use of the highways by motorists and pedestrians. There is still room for more considerate driving and more sensible use of the roads by pedestrians—and in this respect the Traffic Department needs to continue its educative campaign. By and large, however, a commendable improvement is to be discerned. But while the flow of traffic is being skillfully handled and, within the city area, pedestrians are reasonably well catered for in right-of-way lanes and control points, there exist nearby one or two areas which call for some attention by the Authorities. We have previously mentioned the dangerous section of Garden Road between the Peak tram station and St John's Cathedral where no facilities exist for safe crossing by pedestrians. The passing of time does nothing to alleviate the problem or reduce the

hazards which confront the hundreds of people, more particularly schoolchildren, who have to cross Garden Road at that point every day. We originally urged that the Traffic Department should at least lay down a pedestrian lane close to the St John's Cathedral pathway and place a traffic control policeman on duty during the rush hours. The necessity for some such arrangement continues to exist. Another thoroughfare which presents perils to pedestrians is a section of Upper Albert Road which skirts Government House gardens. No pathway exists on either side of the road and walkers are forced into a ditch to avoid the vehicular traffic which makes use of the road in a fairly steady stream throughout the day. The present width of the road probably does not permit of any encroachment by a pathway, for the PWD to construct a raised path over the existing ditch which carries away rain water. Upper Albert Road is an important subsidiary highway for walkers as well as vehicles and in the interests of common safety an effort should be made to provide some sort of a pathway which will enable pedestrians to avoid encroachment on a road which is none too wide. But the most urgent need is a traffic control point in Garden Road below the Peak tram station for it is here the safety of schoolchildren is at stake, and we see no valid reason why the Authorities should not make available safety facilities for pedestrians without further delay.

Death Of Popular Author



Reuter reports from London today that Peter Cheyney (above), the 55-year-old British author of crime novels, died yesterday after a long illness. Cheyney made world famous his two characters, Lemmy Caution, the FBI agent, and Slim Callaghan, private investigator.

RITUAL MURDER

Six Tribal Leaders On Trial

Babane, Swaziland Protectorate, June 26. Six tribal leaders on trial for a ritual murder here were today alleged to have kept a 12-year-old boy tied to a tree for nine months, then hacked him to death with an axe and a pocket knife to get his blood for "medicine."

One of those accused was said to be the boy's father. A grizzled elder tribesman, Mapostoli, told the Court today that the decision to sacrifice the boy was made two years ago. He and the six accused slayers seized Solinye Dlamini. A native doctor poured powder into the boy's ears and eyes.

"The boy became weak like a drunken person and sagged to the ground," the witness said.

After the boy had been tied to the tree and "left to go wild" for nine months, the boy was killed and some of his blood was poured into a jar "so that the tribe would acquire courage."

Mapostoli said that a goat was killed and a piece of its windpipe was cut out and mixed with pieces of the boy's flesh.

At the kraal, a witch-doctor, also among the accused, put the severed head of the boy into a clay pot with pieces of the flesh.

The pot was put on a fire and the chief was told to inhale. All present inhaled, dipped their fingers into the pot and licked them.

"Then they all spat on the ground—first to where the sun comes up and then to where it goes down," he added.—Reuters.

State Dept Reaches Decision On Cease-Fire Proposal

WILL PROBABLY SEEK RUSSIAN TERMS

Washington, June 26.

The State Department said today that it had decided what to do about Russia's proposal for a cease-fire in Korea but refused to disclose its decision.

The Department spokesman, Mr. Lincoln White, made the announcement about an hour after the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, had told the House Foreign Affairs Committee that stopping the war at the 38th Parallel would be a "successful conclusion."

Although Mr. White refused to disclose the nature of the Government's decision on the Soviet proposal, it was understood that the United States probably would try to sound the Russians out privately on how far they are willing to go on terms.

Meanwhile, the United States and its allies continued consultations aimed at working out minimum terms for a Korean cease-fire. The French Counsellor, M. Pierre Millet, conferred for 30 minutes with Mr. Dean Rusk, Assistant Secretary for Far Eastern Affairs.

M. Millet said afterwards: "We are hopeful the Malik statement will bring some results."

Mr. White told newsmen that the Department memorandum made public in Tokyo in no way committed the United States to do any particular thing under any particular circumstances. He said the statement was "simply a commentary—not the position of the government—on various questions, as to what Malik meant."

The Tokyo statement questioned Russia's good faith in making a peace proposal and suggested that it might be a "cover for military advantage."

A reporter for the Communist New York Daily Worker asked Mr. White if the Tokyo statement was designed—like the controversial paper on Formosa nearly two years ago—to prepare the public for things to come.

Mr. White replied: "Not any more than an editorial in Pravda."—United Press.

SINCE MOVE
United Nations, June 26. Mr. Trygve Lie said today he thinks the latest Russian peace move is sincere and must be taken seriously.

The U.S. State Department showed its scepticism, but said withdrawal of Communist forces behind the 38th parallel could mean the war is won.

Mr. Lie, Secretary General of the United Nations, was flying here from Norway. Just before leaving London, he said he was hopeful but it would be a week or two before final judgement could be passed on Jacob Malik's proposal for the belligerents to discuss a cease-fire and mutual withdrawal from the 38th parallel.

U.S. scepticism toward the proposal was evident in Tokyo. A State Department spokesman said that the Russian proposal was "not merely a Russian political move with the possible aim of improving the military situation of the North Koreans and Chinese Communists."

"There is always the danger of a counter-attack and the breaking of an armistice," the memorandum said.

However, the State Department in Washington described this as "only an informative message to US representatives abroad, and not necessarily the US official position."

Secretary of State Dean Acheson, who commented in remarks published on Sunday that the Russians talk of peace while they plan for war, discussed the 38th parallel situation before a Congressional Committee in Washington today.

He was asked if withdrawal of Communist forces behind the 38th parallel could be considered a successful end to the Korean fighting, originally aimed at unifying Korea.

"Yes, sir," Mr. Acheson responded. "I would say we would have had a successful end to the conflict."

In UN quarters the tendency was to go slow. Delegates wanted to iron out disputed matters in private talks before calling the General Assembly back into session. France's National Assembly, Assembly President, held in abeyance his plans to talk with Mr. Malik, who was reported ill with a recurring heart trouble.

Reliable sources also reported there was no point of a meeting between Acheson and Malik at this time because Malik had received no new instructions from Moscow.—Associated Press.

NEW EAST OPENED
United Nations, N.Y., June 26. The president of the United Nations General Assembly, Mr. Nazim Ali, said today that

Iranians Worried By British Action

Iranians Worried By British Action

Teheran, June 26. The news that Britain has ordered the cruiser Mauritius to Abadan caused deep concern among Iranian political figures tonight.

An informed source said Premier Mohammed Mossadegh probably will call a special Cabinet meeting tomorrow to discuss the latest developments in the bitter oil nationalisation dispute, which is nearing a showdown.

The Premier made public a message earlier in the day appealing to British technicians of the British owned Anglo-Iranian Oil Company to stay on the job as employees of the Iranian National Oil Company, a government agency.

But there is a growing feeling in the capital that the Britons, totalling about 3,000, will be evacuated soon and the Abadan refinery shut down. Western diplomats say the big danger is that some hothead might touch off an incident in the explosive atmosphere of Abadan which would lead the British to land troops to protect British lives.—Associated Press.

Red China's 1,000-Planes Air Force

Washington, June 26.

The Air Secretary, Mr. Thomas Finletter, who recently visited Korea, told a press conference today that the Chinese Communists had 1,000 planes they could throw into the Korean war any time they chose.

Mr. Finletter said many of these were jet fighters. Last year, according to the Secretary, the Chinese Communist Air Force consisted of about 200 aircraft. Since then it has been increased fivefold.

"Some of the new planes are jets of the MIG-9 and Yak-15 types. The majority of the jets are the latest type jet interceptors MIG-15," he said.

He described the Yak-15 as an early-type jet not as fast as the American F-80 and the MIG-9 as "roughly" equal to the F-80.

Mr. Finletter said he assumed practically all of Red China's 1,000 planes were Russian-built.

"This enlarged air force of the enemy may be thrown fully into battle against us and increase our difficulties. The United States Air Force in the Far East is alert to this new situation and, while complete defence is not possible against such an attack, every preparation is being made to deal with this possibility."

Mr. Finletter declined to expand his statement. He refused also to say whether United Nations aircraft would pursue Red planes over the Manchurian border if the Chinese Reds attacked with a large number of planes, nor would he make any comparison of the size of the United Nations Air Force in the Far East with the Chinese Communist Air Force.—United Press.

Dies From Water Torture
Pietermaritzburg, Natal, June 26. A police constable was sent to prison for three years today for causing the death of an African youth by "water intoxication."

It was the first case of its kind in South Africa.

Constable Johannes Vanzyl, aged 26, whipped the youth and forced him to drink water from a four-gallon can until he collapsed. The youth was being questioned at the time as a suspect in a theft case.

After drinking the water, he swayed as though drunk, shivered, became very cold, went into a coma, and died.—Reuters.

Would Welcome New Attack

San Juan, Puerto Rico, June 26.

Lt. Gen. James H. Fleet hopes the Communists will attack again in Korea so his 8th Army can deliver a "knock-out blow" to the invading armies.

Maj-General Luis Esteves, National Guard commander in Puerto Rico, made public a letter from the 8th Army chief saying: "We are really cleaning up on these Chinese in Korea."

"We have a couple of good rounds since arriving and am praying for a third one in which I can deliver a knockout blow."

The Allied ground commander added in a handwritten postscript that the Puerto Rican Infantry regiment in Korea was "doing a top job" against the Red invaders.—United Press.

CARRIER WAS SABOTAGED
Sydney, June 26. Sabotage in the Australian Navy aircraft carrier Sydney was confirmed tonight by Acting Navy Minister Josiah Francis.

He said: "Perhaps this will show the Australian people how close our enemy is to us although we may think he is far away."

One of the radar sets in the carrier was found to be deliberately damaged. She is at present in dock at Sydney for a refit before active service in Korea waters.

An intensive search is being made by Navy intelligence officers and security police for the saboteur.—Associated Press.

British Troops For Iraq
Cairo, June 26. British troops from the Suez Canal zone are expected to leave for Basrah, Iraq, shortly, according to usually reliable sources here tonight.

Naguib el Rawy, Iraqi Minister in Cairo, commenting on Egyptian Press reports of such a move said today that the Anglo-Iraqi treaty—like the Anglo-Egyptian treaty—allowed Britain to send forces to Iraq.

Moreover, he added, it provided that Iraq—like Egypt—should render British forces every possible facility.

He said that any despatch of British troops to Iraq would be to defend the territory "against possible foreign aggression."—Reuters.

Secrets Of The MIG-15 Revealed

Unprecedented Story By Soviet Designer

Washington, June 26.

Mikhail I. Gurevich, who is the foremost Soviet aircraft designer, published here today a full description of the Russian fighter now opposing American jets over Korea.

The Aero Digest magazine published a piece titled, "I Designed the MIG-15" bearing Gurevich's by-line. Giving a wealth of performance figures on the highspeed jet fighter, Gurevich modestly ranked it as a rival "in some respects" of United States planes. Editor Fred Hamlin declined to say how he achieved his journalistic scoop.

Aviation circles could hardly think of a precedent for an aircraft designer describing his product in this fashion shortly after it entered the battle. It was almost as if Willy Messerschmitt had written a piece about his ME-109 when the Germans tried it out in the Spanish Civil War.

But Hamlin said that prior to publication he submitted the manuscript to military industry officials and "without exception they have been unable to doubt its accuracy and have not quarrelled with a single sentence or figure." It had been generally believed in the US that the MIG-15 was designed by the team of Mikoyan and Gurevich, although some experts questioned Gurevich's part in it.

ROLLS ROYCE ENGINE
Gurevich said one of the main factors in the plane's success as a high performance craft is its British Rolls Royce engine. He said another factor was the "sacrifice of pilot safety." He said the fighter has a top speed of 640 miles an hour at 10,400 feet. Judged by the stories of returning American pilots who have been unable to catch the MIG-15 in level flight, Gurevich's figure sounded low.

The Russian plane's service ceiling was given as 10,200 feet and it was reported to have the remarkable rate of climb of 8,200 feet per minute from the start. Its landing speed was said to be 103 miles per hour. He said it can climb to 32,800 feet in eight minutes.

Gurevich said the first model was completed by July 2, 1947 which is Soviet Aviation Day. But technical faults led to modifications. He said the plane carries fuel only for one hour of flight, but has a rocket engine in addition to its jet for short bursts of power in combat. He described the plane as only half the weight of American fighters under combat conditions.—United Press.

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AMERICAN PRAISES REUTERS

London, June 26. The friendship and goodwill that exist between the Associated Press of America and Reuters, which celebrates its centenary next month, were stressed today when Mr. Kent Cooper, Executive Director of the A. P., made a presentation to Reuters from A.P.'s Board of Directors.

The presentation was made at a luncheon of the Reuters Board of Directors at which Mr. Cooper was guest of honour. He was welcomed by Lord Rothermere, Chairman of the Newspaper Proprietors Association, who paid tribute to Mr. Cooper's help in the development of the present Reuters organization.

"Since the present organization was created you have been one of the greatest friends we have had and I believe that but for you and the help you have so generously given us we would not be in the position we now are in the world news agency sphere," Lord Rothermere said.

Mr. Cooper, in reply, said he knew that the friendship between these two great news agencies would be lasting. "We shall always enjoy good fellowship as organizations but in addition we have a great and joint destiny in our service of news to the world," he said.

He added that "probably the greatest thing in my life has been this fine relationship that has now developed during my lifetime between the Associated Press and Reuters".

He considered his presence at the Reuters centenary as the greatest honour that had ever been given him. The presentation was in the form of an illuminated scroll. A resolution adopted by A.P.'s Board of Directors said: "NOBLE ALLY".

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"Therefore, the Associated Press derives the deepest pleasure in being able to felicitate Reuters on this notable occasion and is highly gratified that its Executive Director, Kent Cooper, as the guest of honour, will be able personally to convey to Reuters this expression"—Reuters.

GI PRIVILEGES EXTENDED
Washington, June 26. President Truman today signed a law continuing free mailing privileges for servicemen in Korea. Free mail would have ended on July 1.

The new law continues the privilege for men in Korea or other areas that later may be designated as combat areas for two years.—United Press.

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EMPIRE TALKS ON DEFENCE OF MIDDLE EAST

London, June 26.

The British Commonwealth Defence Ministers announced tonight, after a six-day meeting, that they would defend the Middle East against any aggressor.

A communique said the Defence Ministers of Britain, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Southern Rhodesia, with the Canadian High Commissioner attending as an observer, held a frank exchange of views.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider certain defence problems of common concern, including the Middle East. It said the Ministers recognised the importance of defence of the Middle East and agreed that such defence must be undertaken in the event of aggression.

Earlier today it had been thought the talks might have to be carried on tomorrow. Questions of shipping and transport delayed the programme.

The Ministers have been mainly concerned with the defence of the Middle East. But they have also discussed global strategy, including strategy in the South-West Pacific.

Other things discussed have been equipment, standardisation of weapons, liaison, training, communications and oil supplies.

FRANK EXCHANGES
The conference has appreciated the need for contributions from all countries represented to help in the defence of the free world against aggression, the communique said.

The six Commonwealth defence representatives declared that they had considered certain defence problems in regions of common concern, including the Middle East.

"All present recognised the importance of the defence of the Middle East and agreed that it must be defended in the event of aggression."

"The defence problem of this area and the related problems of South-East Asian defences were considered in the context of the world's strategic situation," the communique said.

The communique issued through the British Ministry of Defence, stated that a full and frank exchange of views took place.

It explained that the Ministers would now report to their respective governments, which will decide on the best defence contribution they can make and on the size, composition and timing of the deployment of the Commonwealth forces that can be made available.

AMERICANS STILL SUSPICIOUS OF RUSSIAN MOTIVES

"No Change In Kremlin Purpose Indicated"

Washington, June 26.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, told Congress today that even if the Korean war were settled, the American aid programme would still be necessary.

After testifying before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives, Mr. Acheson was questioned about the Soviet proposal for a Korean cease-fire conference.

Mr. Acheson said that even if there was peace in Korea it would not lessen the need for the military and economic aid programme in the free world.

But he added that a solution in Korea would "enable the world to draw back from what may be very close to the edge of the precipice now."

Mr. Acheson did not mean by this that the danger would be removed by a Korean settlement or that there would be less need for building up the free world's defence.

A State Department spokesman, Mr. Lincoln White, told reporters that the statement released at General Ridgway's headquarters had been sent to the public information office there as background information to the Japanese Press, he added.

Mr. White declared that the United States had decided on the next move in the Soviet peace proposal. But he would not say what it was.

"Decisions have been made, but I am not at liberty to disclose them," he said. In the Congress hearing Mr. Acheson was asked if the cease-fire proposal could be a camouflage designed to divert attention from what was going on in Persia.

A MISTAKE
Mr. Acheson said it could be so, but the United States was doing its best to obtain clarification of what was meant by the Russian proposal.

Mr. Acheson told Congress he thought it would be a mistake to regard the Russian proposal made by Mr. Malik as "any shift in Soviet policy or purpose."

Mr. Malik's statement might represent a sincere desire to end the fighting in Korea, but again it might not represent that at all.

"We are trying to find out from the Soviet Government what it means," he said. Replying to a question, Mr. Acheson said that even if a settlement were reached in Korea the United States and its allies must always remain prepared for other aggression or internal subversions.—Reuters.

IRAN SITUATION
Washington, June 26. The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, assured the House Foreign Affairs Committee today that the programme of military and economic aid for the Middle East would be administered on a thoroughly impartial basis.

During hearings on the over-all foreign aid bill, Representative Frances Bolton (Republican) asked Mr. Acheson whether each country in the Middle East would be considered separately for aid or whether it would be decided on a basis of all Arab nations and one other nation.

Mr. Acheson replied that a breakdown of proposed aid would be furnished the Committee by other witnesses but he told her that decisions would be completely impartial and added, "The refugee problem is being considered separately."

Mrs. Bolton believed that the Iranian situation had called attention to the importance of the Near East and asked him whether he felt access to the oil of that area was vital and essential to Europe and the free world.

Mr. Acheson: "That is our view. It is inescapable. The oil is a vital and important resource for the free world. That is one reason the situation in Iran is so critical. There are no bright spots in it. Every indication is

that it is moving down the road to disaster."

He added that Russia had a deep interest in Iran.—United Press.

Iraq Takes Frontier Precautions

Baghdad, June 26.

The Government today proclaimed as "restricted areas" a number of districts along the Iranian frontier where foreigners are forbidden to reside or travel without special authorisation.

The Interior Ministry order said foreigners would be permitted to use only the special highways in these areas for travel to Syria, Turkey and Iran and banned all flights except those on international routes to be designated.

The order exempts foreign personnel of the Iraqi Government, Oil Company employees and their families, foreign military forces present under treaty and foreign technical missions in Iraq under international agreements.—United Press.

Challenge To Gobi

San Francisco, June 26.

The Chinese Communists, among other things, have challenged the Gobi—that great desert which sprawls across Mongolia.

A Peking broadcast heard by The Associated Press at San Francisco said trees to form a wind-break hundreds of miles long will be planted in north-east China along the eastern fringes of the Gobi.

The Communists thus hope to check the march of the Gobi's sands across the rich farm lands east of the desert. The broadcast said the sands have been moving eastward at a rate of from 15 to 20 miles a year. The broadcast said plans for the forest belt have been completed, but it did not say when planting will begin.—Associated Press.

Honeymooners For Rapallo

Naples, June 26.

King Farouk of Egypt and Queen Nefarima today left the Bay of Naples aboard the Royal yacht escorted by two Egyptian destroyers.

The Royal couple were en route to Rapallo, on the Italian eastern Riviera, where the King has reserved 70 rooms at the luxury Hotel Excelsior.

When the yacht reached the island of Ischia, on the north side of the Bay of Naples, the Egyptian King ordered the captain to land the Royal party ashore for a car ride around the island. After driving around the island and stopping at the more picturesque spots, the party returned to the yacht and proceeded towards the Italian Riviera.—United Press.

Stiff U.S. Note To Prague

Washington, June 26.

The United States had made a vigorous new protest to Czechoslovakia against her continued detention of two jet aircraft pilots, the State Department announced today.

The State Department said today that the new note was delivered yesterday in Prague by Ambassador Ellis O. Briggs.

The pilots piloting United States jet planes landed near Prague on June 8. One was American and the other a Norwegian.

The note delivered said that the two had now been held incommunicado for 16 days.—Reuters.

Mediator Off To Kashmir

New York, June 26.

Dr. Frank Graham, United Nations representative for India and Pakistan, left by air for Paris today en route to Karachi to attempt the demilitarisation of Kashmir.

Dr. Graham, who was President of the University of North Carolina for 10 years and then United States Senator in 1948-50, declined to comment on prospects of resolving the Kashmir dispute and would not divulge when or where he planned to confer with Indian and Pakistani officials.

Dr. Graham was accompanied by four members of the United Nations Secretariat who will act as his legal and political advisers. A group of six other staff members, including General Jacob Dovers, Dr. Graham's military adviser, will fly to Paris tomorrow.

The whole party plan to leave Paris by air on Thursday and are to arrive in Karachi on Friday evening.—United Press.

NEHRU STATEMENT
New Delhi, June 26. The Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, said today that India was anxious to settle the Kashmir dispute and welcomed the assignment of Dr. Frank Graham, the United Nations Arbitrator.

The Indonesian President, Dr. Soekarno, and the Vice-President, Dr. Mohammad Hatta, had appealed to him to avail himself of the good offices of Dr. Graham, "whom the Indonesians have good reason to remember" for his role as mediator in the dispute with the Dutch.

(A similar message was sent to the Pakistani Prime Minister, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan).

But Mr. Nehru said: "Pakistan's continuous threats of war and denunciation are not helpful towards a solution."

Declining India's attitude, he said: "For our part we have used our utmost to find a peaceful solution in spite of the fact that Pakistan committed deliberate aggression and is still in unlawful possession of part of the Kashmir State territory."

"The Indian Premier added that it was for Kashmir and the people of Kashmir finally to decide the issue.—Reuters.

VISITS SRINAGAR
Srinagar, June 26.

The Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, arrived here today by air for a week's holiday and rest.—Reuters.

POP



GERMANY'S NEW ARMY

FESTIVAL'S COW
TAKES A WALKColombo Plan
Progress

Colombo, June 26. Progress on the Colombo Plan to aid South and South-East Asia was satisfactory, the Council for Technical Co-operation decided here today. According to official sources, offers of training facilities were discussed and a decision was made that in cases where a particular government could not spare its own employees, training facilities could be offered to private individuals sponsored by the government. —Reuter.

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JEALOUS
OF RIGHTS

Melbourne, June 26. New South Wales will not transfer constitutional power to the Federal Government to enable it to outlaw the Communist Party, the Labour Premier, Mr. James McGirr, announced today.

This means that if the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. Robert Menzies, wishes to carry out his plan to disband the Communist Party, he will have to seek additional powers by a national referendum.

Announcing his decision, Mr. McGirr said that the New South Wales Cabinet already had sufficient power under the Crimes Act to deal with Communists.

Mr. Menzies told the six State Premiers in Canberra on June 18 that unless they transferred to the Commonwealth powers to deal with Communists, he would appeal to the electors by referendum.

Through refusing the Commonwealth power to deal with Communists, the New South Wales Cabinet decided to ask the Commonwealth to hold a referendum for Federal control of prices, now a State responsibility. —Reuter.

Chain Letter
Menace

Dar-es-Salaam, June 26. Chain letters, which have caused many gullible Africans to part with money in the hope of gaining a big reward, were today banned by the Legislative Council here.

Thus the penal code of Tanganyika, by making the issue of these letters a punishable offence, comes into line with Uganda and Kenya. Thousands of such letters, originating mainly from natives, have been circulating in Tanganyika in the last few months. —Associated Press.

Strength Fixed
At 150,000
AIR FORCE OF 1,000

London, June 26.

The Big Three Western High Commissioners have completed a report on the proposed scope of Western Germany's rearmament and officials said today that it paved the way for eventual participation of the Federal West German Republic in the defence of Europe.

The report, based on five months' negotiations with German representatives, will be presented to the North Atlantic Council deputies early next month.

Informed sources said it envisaged a German armed force of some 150,000 men, to be supplemented by auxiliary forces including a tactical and defence air force and light naval forces.

The total figure mentioned was said to be between 200,000 and 250,000 at the most. It was described as the minimum acceptable to the Federal West German Government.

With the French elections out of the way and no immediate four-power talks in prospect, speedier developments on the question of Germany's rearmament were anticipated here. An official source cautioned that much ground still remained to be covered before an agreement could be completed, but it was emphasised that the gap between Germany's original "lousy" demands and the more conservative ideas of the Big Three Western powers had been considerably narrowed.

However, even if the Big Three powers agree, there is still agreement to be obtained from other Atlantic powers. Officials made it known that the High Commissioners handed in their report to their respective Foreign Offices in Washington, London and Paris a few days ago after discussions with German experts since last January. Many of the original German demands have been whittled down and brought down to what one Western source described as more realistic propositions.

BEST POSSIBLE

There has been no final acceptance by the Western powers of basic figures laid down in the report, but High Commissioners were understood to have agreed that what has emerged from the months-long talks was the best compromise with Germany that could be reached at the present.

The following details emerged from the report, according to sources:

1. Germany to contribute some 150,000 men to the proposed Western defence forces.
2. Germany to have a tactical air force for close support of her ground troops and

an air force for defence purposes against attackers. This would mean Germany should have light and fighter-bombers, but no bomber aircraft for offensive purposes. The number tentatively given was some 600 and is not to exceed 1,000.

3. Germany should have light armour but no big tanks for offensive operations.

4. Germany shall participate in command posts, probably also in operational positions of overall command. —United Press.

BAN ON REDS

Bonn, June 26. The West German Government today banned the militant Communist youth organisation, Free German Youth (FDJ). The organisation was attacking constitutional order in the Federal Republic, it was officially stated.

The Interior Minister had been ordered to take steps, in co-operation with the government of the 11 West German States, to stop FDJ activities immediately. The order struck at the most active Communist organisation in West Germany.

It had already been banned in the State of North Rhine-Westphalia, which includes the Ruhr industrial area. —Associated Press.

"Lift Iron
Curtain"
Challenge

Washington, June 26. The Congress challenged the Soviet Government today to lift the Iron Curtain as a step toward a just and lasting peace.

The House, by a roll call vote of 349 to six, adopted a resolution already passed by the Senate expressing American friendship for all peoples of the world including the Russians.

The House-Senate report said the Iron Curtain against the free flow of information to Russia is without rival as the world's greatest threat to peace. The resolution directs President Truman to call upon the Soviet Government to acquit the Russian people with the resolution, which invites the Russians to co-operate toward peace. —United Press.

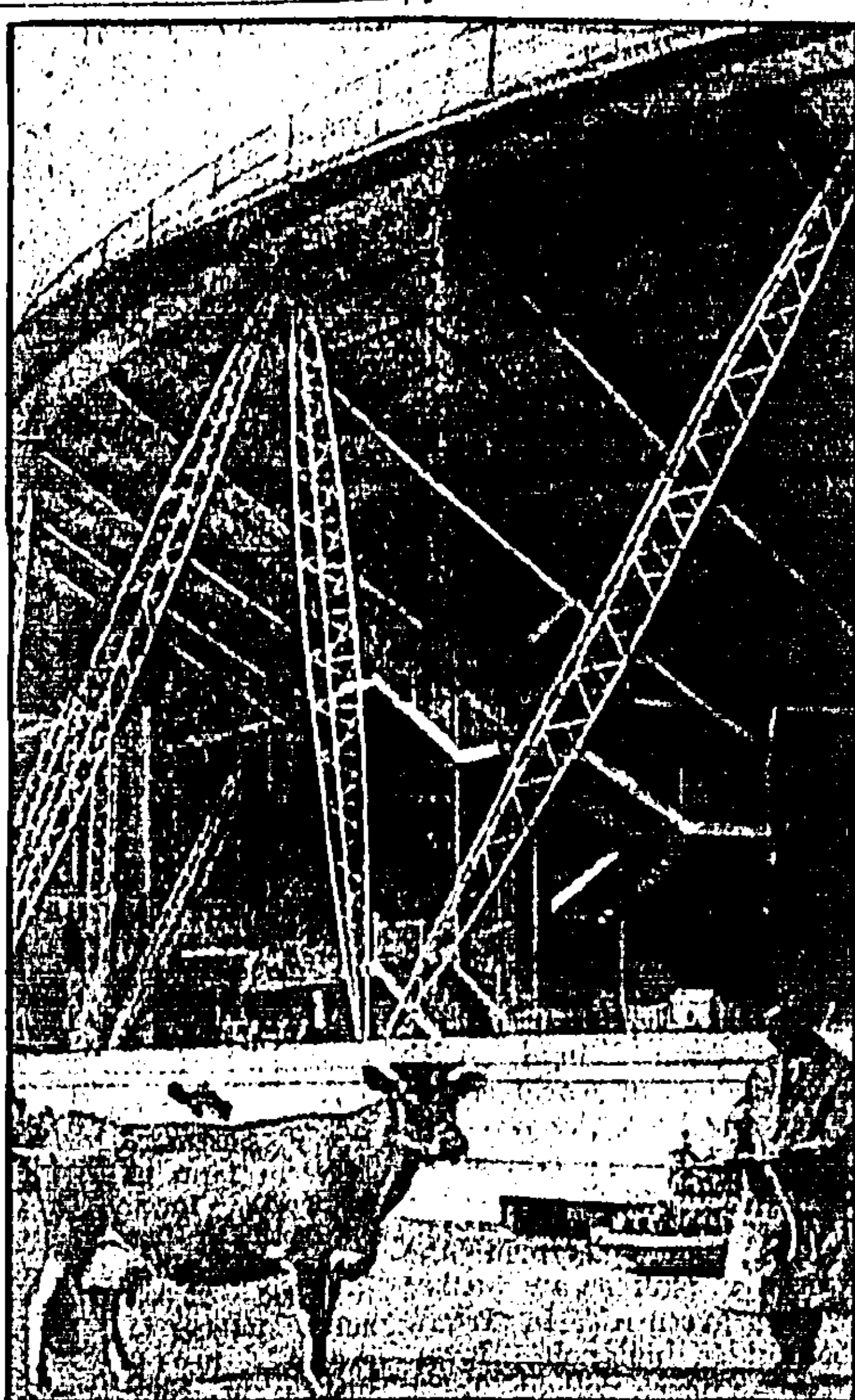
Deportation
Proceedings
Against Reds

Washington, June 26. The United States Justice Department disclosed today that it had taken further steps to deport two of the 17-second rank leaders of the American Communist Party who were indicted last week for conspiracy to overthrow the Government by force and violence.

The Department said that it did not intend to deport the pair—Trijlad-born Cipriano Jones, who claims British citizenship, and Alexander Bittelman, listed as a Russian alien—until they had been tried on the conspiracy charge.

An immigration commissioner has signed a deportation order against Miss Jones, of New York, identified as secretary of the Party's National Women's Commission.

A hearing examiner has recommended the deportation of Bittelman, former Communist Party national committeeman. The two and 15 others were seized by "G-Men" in a carefully planned round-up on June 24, one in Pittsburgh and the rest in New York. They are to answer the indictment in New York. —Reuter.



No green pastures for the prize cows on show at the Festival of Britain. But they do get a morning walk—and here is one in the shadow of the Dome of Discovery. —London Express Service.

Motion To Rescind
Banishment Order
Lost In Commons

London, June 26.

The House of Commons tonight defeated by 300 votes to 279—a majority of 21—a joint Liberal-Conservative motion urging the Government to rescind its order banishing Tshekedi Khama from the tribal reserve in Bechuanaland.

Mr Patrick Gordon-Walker, Commonwealth Relations Secretary, announced in the House that the Government was prepared for the Bamangwato tribe to hold another meeting to decide whether it wanted Tshekedi Khama, former Regent, back or not.

The Government was also willing for two Members of Parliament—Conservative and Labour Member—to attend as observers. There would be no ban on Tshekedi being present, but this would be a decision for the tribe to make.

A year ago Tshekedi was expelled from the tribal reserve after a quarrel with his nephew, Seretse Khama, the Chief. Seretse, over Seretse's marriage to a white English girl, Ruth Williams.

A section of the Government's own supporters have bitterly criticised this banishment without a judicial inquiry having been held.

Mr Clement Davies, the Liberal leader, moving the motion to rescind Tshekedi's banishment, said that General Smuts regarded him as the ablest of the African chiefs.

He had taken up his duties as acting chief when 19 or 20 and had carried them out faithfully and well.

"This man, who has committed no crime, has done nothing wrong, who has never by word or deed challenged the authority of the Government, has been banished, his home burned down, his cattle stolen and his property damaged," Mr Davies said.

Tshekedi Khama had worked unsparingly for the good of his people. Yet, without trial, without any charge, he had been banished from among his own people.

Mr Davies said it had been stated that there would be trouble if Tshekedi returned to the tribe because he was unpopular. But since his banishment he had been allowed to return five times and no trouble arose.

Mr Gordon-Walker told the House they had to consider disorders that might arise if Tshekedi returned. He added that just before he came to the House he had received a telegram stating that Press news of the Commons debate was causing apprehension in the protectorate of Serowe.

"Owing to fear of Tshekedi's return," he telegraphed, "the tribe have asked to meet the District Commissioner and say if this happens the tribe will scatter."

Mr Gordon-Walker refused any suggestion that he was attacking Tshekedi personally. "I think he is an extremely able man with a very fine record of government," the Minister said. "It is very remarkable and gratifying that so many people have recognised that."

Church To
Have Woman
Minister

Granby, Mass., June 26. A 24-year-old girl preacher leaves for Ohio on Wednesday to take over her first Ministry. The newly ordained Reverend Eleanor Galusha is confident that a woman has as much to give to the Church as a man. She will become the first Minister of the First Congregational Church of Marblehead, Ohio, on Sunday.

Some people will perhaps think that my being a woman will make the job difficult," she said. "However, I feel that the most important thing is for a person to be committed to the service of the Church regardless of sex."

She hopes that her sex will be of help in the Ministry, especially working with women's groups.

Rev. Galusha decided to enter the Ministry while a student at the University of Massachusetts. Graduated from the university in 1948, she entered the Union Theological Seminary. She completed her studies there last month and was ordained here on Sunday night.

"I feel that the Ministry is the place where I can best serve the Church and the Master of the Church, Jesus Christ," she said.

Rev. Galusha has no matrimonial plans at the moment, but would consider marriage if circumstances occur. She has chosen the text for her first sermon on Sunday. —United Press.

HUSBAND'S
ARGUMENT
FAILS

Los Angeles, June 26.

Actress Mimi Forsythe received her final divorce decree today despite statements by her husband that they lived as man and wife a few months after she was granted an interlocutory decree.

The Chicago autoseller, James Turner, 38, fought the issuance of the final decree with an affidavit presented in the Supreme Court today. Turner stated that he lived with the 28-year-old actress as man and wife last August and September in Chicago and only last April in Los Angeles. He said they conducted themselves the same as during the happiest days of their married life.

Miss Forsythe denied Turner's story and the court agreed with her contention that if it were true it did not constitute reconciliation. —United Press.

USE OF LEGHORN
BY AMERICANS

Rome, June 26.

The Italian Defence Minister, Signor Rinaldo Ossola, said today that negotiations were in progress between the Italian and United States Governments to allow American armed forces to use the Italian port of Leghorn as a supply base for their troops in Austria.

This was the first official statement on the subject, following Italian newspaper reports. —Reuter.

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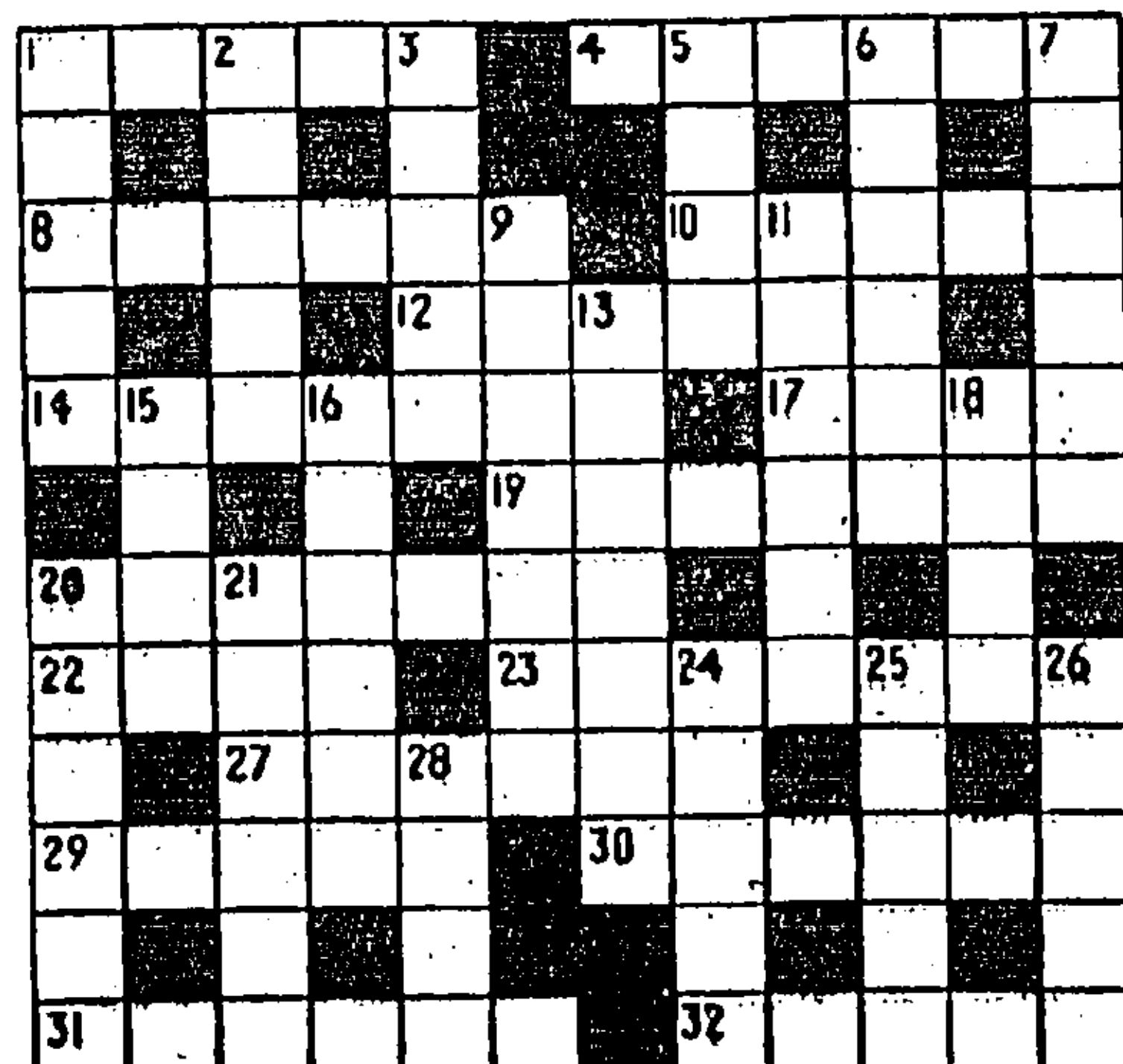
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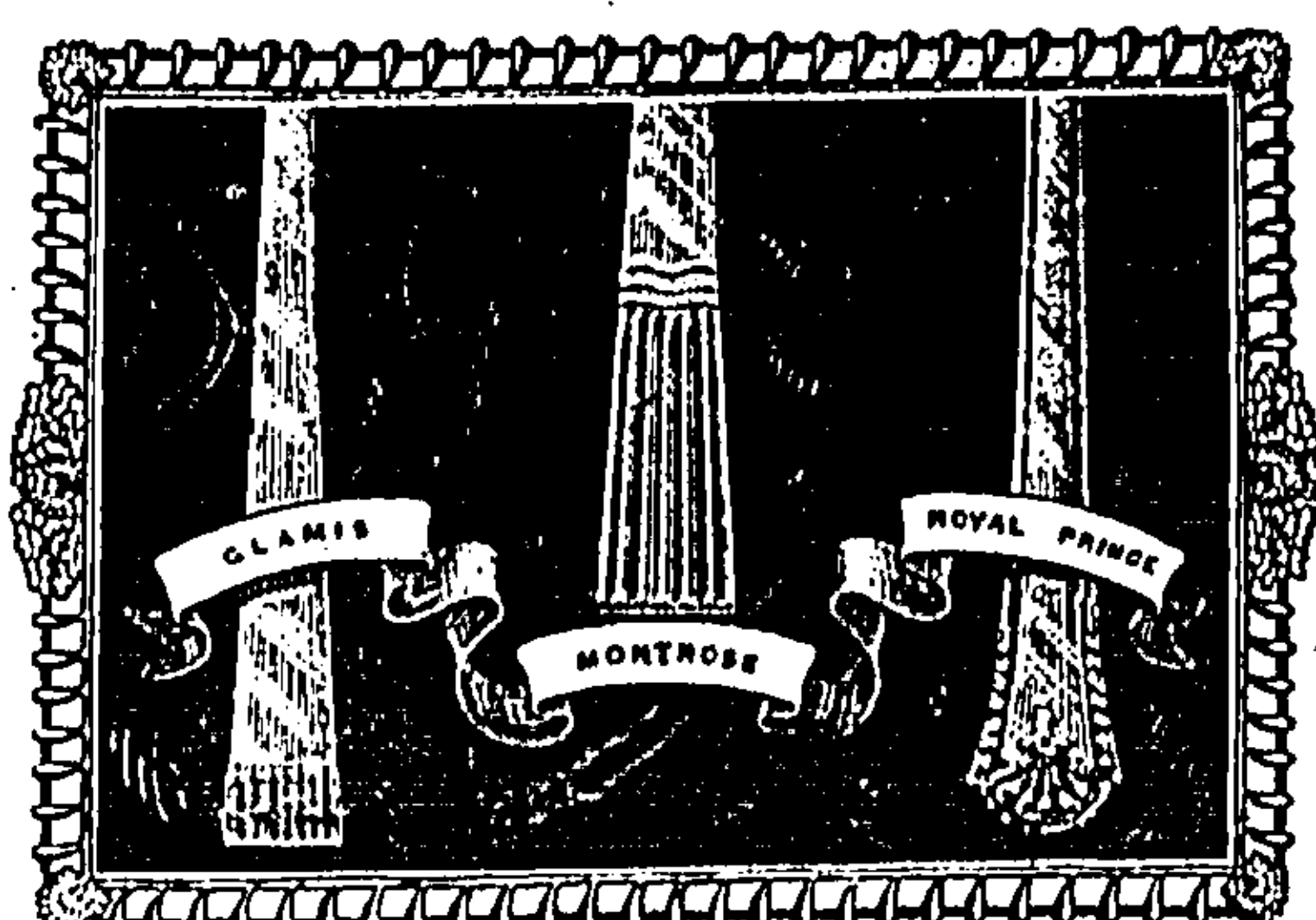
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 - 17 Kernel (4)
 - 19 Neck of land (7)
 - 20 Eat away (7)
 - 22 Paradise (4)
 - 23 Expunging (7)
 - 27 Monsters (6)
 - 29 Praises (5)
 - 30 Foolish (6)
 - 31 Rogue (6)
 - 32 Recover (6)
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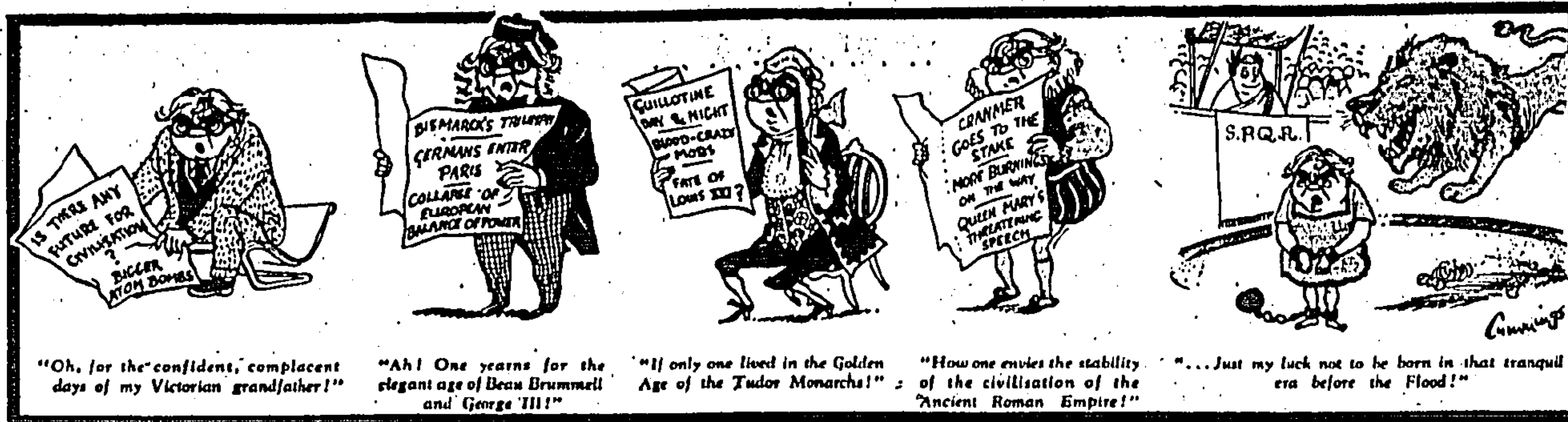
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"Oh, for the confident, complacent days of my Victorian grandfather!"

"Ah! One year for the elegant age of Beau Brummell and George III!"

"If only one lived in the Golden Age of the Tudor Monarchs!"

"How one envies the stability of the civilisation of the Ancient Roman Empire!"

"... Just my luck not to be born in that tranquil era before the Flood!"

London Express Service

ROUND-THE-WORLD MOMMA WAKES UP THE WOMEN

by Evelyn Irons

LONDON. husband, home and child-
COMFORTABLE American momma of 55, Mrs Raymond Sayre, farmer's wife from the Middle West, hit the headlines. Reason—she jollied along the Women's Institute conference at the Albert Hall with such cracks as "Women are no dumber than men—they couldn't be."

That is all Ruth Sayre's shrewd blue eye. These pleasantries about men's dumbness (quoted from Miss I. A. R. Wylie), and the other homely phrase about the sensible housewife invading the corridors of Uno with her apron on and an apple pie in her hand, are just sugar on the pill, enabling Mrs Sayre to tell 5,000 women in a speech lasting 45 minutes that they are indeed dumber than men. A lot dumber.

For beneath the placid, plumpish exterior of Mrs Sayre, mother of four and grandmother of three, who is here officially as head of the 5,500,000 members of Associated Countrywomen of the World, smoulders the fiery spirit of a hot gospeller. Her mission—to wake women up, push them beyond—the horizons—of

Sugar with it

"Wishful statements have taken the place of clear thinking," she says, sharp-ly. "That is just too easy. Peace will not come that way. Go and do something for yourselves. Grapple with the difficult social problems of our time. Learn the economic facts of life. The roots of Communism are in the misery of the depressed millions. Two-thirds of the world's population have an income of less than £15 a year. Do something to improve that instead of signing petitions against war."

Mrs Sayre has done quite a bit of globe-trotting with those cleverly sugared speeches of hers.

Since she left her husband's 600-acre farm at Ackworth, Iowa, on April 1 this year she has travelled 25,000 miles, talking to many more women in New Zealand (10 days) and Australia (six weeks), and before she is home on July 1 she will have talked in Canada, New York and Chicago as well.

Last year she was here, in Copenhagen and in Germany. The year before she spent three months gingerly up the women in all three Western zones of Germany.

Since 1947, when she was elected the Countrywomen's president at a conference in Amsterdam, she has spent some three months of every year talking to foreigners, and a good deal more talking to her own rural compatriots all over the United States.

He catcalled

"My husband is very nice about it," she says. No salary attaches to these missions. But all travel and living expenses are paid.

Although she is officially the world's typical farmer's wife, Mrs Sayre is the first to admit that she became a farmer's wife by accident. Her British-born



THE FARMER'S WIFE
Mrs. Sayre

grandfathers were both farmers, but her father was a banker and she was brought up in Indiana, the county town where he worked. She took her BA College in 1917, specialising in German.

As a student she marched in a suffragette procession, while her young man, Raymond Sayre, catcalled from the sidewalk. She had aspirations about going to Europe to carry on her language studies, but instead she married Mr Sayre in 1918, after a year of schoolteaching.

Britain's Farmers' Union is for farmers, but America's Farm Bureau is for the farmer's family too, and Mrs Sayre was soon the local leader of the women's activities there.

"I talked at meetings with one baby in my arms and another beside me," she says. In a nation of women who specialise in confabulation she rose to be the queen of them all in her field—from township's director

of women in the Farm Bureau, to president of the associated farm women of all the 48 States.

When she is home in July she will rise at 5.30 ("harvest is a busy time") cook breakfast for her husband and 10-year-old youngest son, spend the morning on household chores, cook lunch and dinner.

Once a week there is a trip to town, five miles away, with her own peas and tomatoes carefully prepared to pop into the "freezer locker" hired at £4 a year to quick-freeze home-produced fruit, vegetables and meat.

In the afternoon she tackles business correspondence, arranges meetings, keeps up with her serious reading. Spare time is for gardening ("I planted 400 tulips last year but never saw them flower").

She never smokes or drinks, is a Methodist by upbringing. "We are right in what is called the Bible Belt," she says. "All the farmers round are Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians. It would be considered shocking for a woman to touch liquor."

Her answer

Mrs Sayre gives the conventional answer when asked which of her two lives she prefers. "I just can't wait to get home," she says with evident sincerity.

But I think that she would not be pleased if her easy-going husband put his foot down and said, "No more hot-gospeiling round the world."

I have seen the glint in her eye.

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Black magic

THRIVES IN THE DARK CORNERS OF THE EARTH

BLACK magic is getting a new lease of life.

From many primitive areas come reports that disillusions is turning backward peoples to the old dark practices.

Often among more advanced communities black magic is proving hard to eradicate.

A recent example was the case of Armando Antonelli, 22-year-old Italian, accused of murdering his aunt because he believed she was a witch with the "evil eye."

It was said that he had consulted a local sorcerer. And 13 of the best-known sorcerers in his native province were called to give "expert" evidence at the trial.

Witchcraft? Fantastic — it couldn't happen here, you may say. But it has.

PINNED TO TREE
Some six years ago, a 74-year-old farm labourer was found in Britain, killed with his own billhook.

A pitchfork had been driven through his body, pinning it to the roots of a tree.

Experts in witchcraft believed it to be a witchcraft "ritual murder."

And the murder happened in February—an ancient sacrificial month.

In the old pagan days February 2 was "Candlemas"—a great occasion.

There are traces of devotion to some aspects of witchcraft in parts of Essex and Cornwall—and the practice of sticking pins in wooden or wax images of enemies is still known to flourish.

In some of the more backward communities of the Empire witchcraft is part of the daily life.

It is claimed that in London and other large cities esoteric rites are still practised in many a private house.

In South Africa, some months ago, a Natal M.P. revealed that while women were visiting native witch-doctors, just as people here visit a fortune-teller.

Recently a woman in the Supreme Court, in New York, asked for a separation, charging her husband with witchcraft. He posed said in her back, she said, calling on evil spirits to contaminate her soul.

A GIRL'S FATE

Last year, in British Guiana, a seven-year-old girl was the victim of a ritual murder by members of a bizarre cult.

There were tales of fantastic rites, officiating "bishops." The girl, it transpired, had been offered as human sacrifice to get some dark "god" to reveal the whereabouts of a buried treasure.

For the murderers, two men and a woman, the treasure hunt ended on the gallows.

Don Taylor

REDS CAN'T BEAT MISTER CUPID

By Joseph Fleming

BERLIN. PEOPLE are still getting married for love or for money in Communist-run East Germany.

Soviet zone propagandists, in their magazine serials, radio plays and films would have you believe that only industrial "activists" and those who score high in Marxist dialectics attain romance.

Nevertheless, widowers with furnished houses, women with dowries and "pretty young girls" are more sought after than holders of a Communist Party card.

Marriage advertisements in East German newspapers run side by side with Communist attacks on capitalism and American-style pin-up girls, but gain and beauty seem to motivate the men and women seeking mates.

"Farmer's daughter with furniture and good linen supply seek acquaintance with the purpose of marriage of a man with his own house" is a typical advertisement which appeared in the Communist-edited German Week.

"Teacher, five feet nine, good appearance, seeks love match with pretty young girl" is another.

As bait, the applicants offer everything from motor cars, boats and dairy farms to a "blameless past."

Love has become a big business in Germany, in the East as well as the West. It is not exactly for sale but a small investment can put you well on the road to finding a "suitable comrade for life" or just someone interested in "mutual recreation."

Countless marriage bureaus and newspaper departments have

sprung up to capitalise on marital dislocations caused by the war and the excess of women over men.

Six years of Communist rule appears to have had no effect on the emotions that prompt a boy to meet a girl.

Take the "22-year-old brunette" for example, who advertised for "a man up to 30 who is interested in movies, theatre, opera, dancing and above all is a water rat who likes to swim in the summer and take long walks in the woods."—United Press.

POCKET CARTOON
by OSBERT LANCASTER



"By the way, dear, I'm afraid that you'll have to cancel those reservations at St. Jean-de-Luz—the Secretary of State has just decided that this year we shall all be spending our holidays at Llandrindod Wells."

Sitting on the Fence.... by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

TELLING the story of the great Russian purge of the 1930's, F. Beck and W. Godin point out that the credit of party members and of ordinary Soviet citizens depended on the number of people they denounced.

Moreover, young people denounced their seniors to get their jobs.

Others took advantage of the purge to inform against those they disliked, and "every arrest of an official meant that a newly built flat fell vacant."

★ ★ ★

Has it been a good day for denouncing, Sergel? Very good, Ivan. I have denounced the butcher, who was getting troublesome about his bill. Also the grocer, for the same reason.

At the moment, I cannot decide whether to denounce the dressmaker for sending me her bill, or my wife for running them up.

As you are tired of your wife and the dressmaker is pretty, why not denounce your wife?

You have the simple, direct wisdom of Solomon, Sergel. Perhaps you could tell me how to become the tenant of a luxury flat? I would like the dressmaker to be comfortable.

That is simple. You must denounce an official.

Any official, Sergel?

Any official of distinction, Ivan. But it would be prudent to denounce one who is either your office superior, or one who has the best flat in Moscow.

My immediate superior has the best flat in Moscow, Sergel. Then you are a most fortunate man. Denounce only two people and you have a

better job, a luxury flat, and the dressmaker.

I shall always be grateful to you, Sergel.

You had better be, Ivan. A moment ago you mentioned indirectly a forbidden subject. The Christian Bible.

You would not betray me, Sergel?

If you are not sufficiently grateful, Ivan, I shall wait till you have denounced your wife, and the official, and then denounce you.

To what advantage, Sergel?

I could do with a better paid job. I am fond of luxury flats. I am also fond of the dressmaker.

Would a thousand roubles be enough, Sergel?

Ten thousand would be more acceptable, Ivan.

Atlantic call

JOE DOAKES, the well-known American, on the Transatlantic phone again—

Hello, there, Nat. What's the news from the States? Joe, except that a former German SS sergeant, who has settled over here, is reported as saying that the pictures taken of Belsen and Dachau were faked by the Americans.

The louzy son of a gun. Does anybody over there believe that? The late Dr Goebbels said if you tell a lie often enough the masses will believe it, Joe. Besides, I know it would happen, anyway.

NATHANIEL GUBBINS

How come, Nat?

During the war I was in touch with two Germans called Captain-General-Lance-Corporal von Stinkenstrasser and Herr Doktor von Schmellingpantz. They worked in a Berlin office on the Rotteckstrasse, not far from the Mittenheapsplatz.

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Flushed with success and self-deception, you would then address the sheep, whose voices would sound like approving "hear, hears" at a town council meeting.

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You have become a first-class after-lunch speaker to an audience of crows.

Your eloquence has swung a council meeting of sheep over to your point of view.

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This is where you must be careful.

You will either start talking to the wild flowers and the trees, become the object of derision in the countryside, and end up in the lunatic bin.

Or you will address another House of Commons audience of crows without noticing that one of them is a bull with a remarkable resemblance to Winston Churchill.

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The cawing of crows sounds very much like applause in a smoke-filled banqueting hall. So you would be flattered.

Flushed with success and self-deception, you would then address the sheep, whose voices would sound like approving "hear, hears" at a town council meeting.

After that, you would make a speech to the crows. Their answering moos would remind you of the Opposition boos in the House of Commons.

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You have become a first-class after-lunch speaker to an audience of crows.

Your eloquence has swung a council meeting of sheep over to your point of view.

Your brilliant, fighting speech in a House of Commons full of reactionary crows has been boomed. You are decided, abused. You are quoted. You are famous. The road to Cabinet rank is open.

This is where you must be careful.

You will either start talking to the wild flowers and the trees, become the object of derision in the countryside, and end up in the lunatic bin.

Or you will address another House of Commons audience of crows without noticing that one of them is a bull with a remarkable resemblance to Winston Churchill.

There will be a roar, a stamping of hooves, and your political (and agricultural) career will be over. —(London Express Service.)



• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

A SHOT rang out in quick succession. Wookawooka-hoo, Chief of the Kuppakawtee Indians, cursed under his breath. Then, seizing his tomahawk, he crept like a snake through the undergrowth. Once he paused, as his progress alarmed a bird of gorgeous plumage seated on a mossy log. The bird flew away, crying chee-chee-chee. The Chief imitated the cry and sat for a moment on the log, as if he were waiting for the bird to return. Then he crept forward again, chin foremost, until he came to a swamp where a crocodile lay in the sun, lazily flicking flies off its body with a long, scaly tail. The Chief had one leg in the water when the crocodile saw him, and began to move purposefully towards him, jaws open. At that moment a rhinoceros came down to drink, blocking the Chief's retreat. The crocodile advanced slowly, with murder in its eye.

THE PERILS OF BOASTING

A PICTURE of Hachenschmidt and Madral, wrestling, recalled to me an adventure of mine in a Cornish inn many years ago. I was boasting of my great strength and endurance when a fisherman said, "Can you wrestle?" I said I had once succeeded. Wookawooka-hoo, Chief of the Kuppakawtee Indians, cursed under his breath. Then, seizing his tomahawk, he crept like a snake through the undergrowth. Once he paused, as his progress alarmed a bird of gorgeous plumage seated on a mossy log. The bird flew away, crying chee-chee-chee. The Chief imitated the cry and sat for a moment on the log, as if he were waiting for the bird to return. Then he crept forward again, chin foremost, until he came to a swamp where a crocodile lay in the sun, lazily flicking flies off its body with a long, scaly tail. The Chief had one leg in the water when the crocodile saw him, and began to move purposefully towards him, jaws open. At that moment a rhinoceros came down to drink, blocking the Chief's retreat. The crocodile advanced slowly, with murder in its eye.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

IF you are born today, moods can become your very worst enemy in life unless you learn at an early age how to cope with them. You have a highly artistic nature with a sensitive and highly strung temperament. Your feelings are high and you never will be satisfied with anything mediocre. Guard against becoming overcritical.

You may have one outstanding success at a rather early age. But this will cut out a large part of your life. You would like to think that you will have an easy life, but the stars say that this is not necessarily so and that you will have to work hard for everything you get.

Being fond of travel you probably will see a large portion of the earth during your lifetime. If your work is something that keeps you traveling you will be much happier than if it holds you to a desk job. In fact, the latter is a very undesirable situation for you to keep at it for too long a time.

Your judgment is excellent when it comes to making decisions for others. But when it comes to making your own decisions, you are apt to be swayed by emotions rather than by common sense. Learn to have the same degree of objectivity in dealing with your own problems as you find what the stars have to say for you.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 28

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—A surprise may come today. Be prepared for it. Perhaps a change in fortune—or residence—in store.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 23)—A good day for starting a journey. Since love and romance are favored, perhaps it is a wedding trip.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 23)—Curb emotional impulses and make decisions carefully and carefully. Changes can be for the better now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—A new idea can prove exciting. Develop it now and get it ready to put into operation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 23)—An unexpected trip or visit to or from close friends or relatives can make the day very happy.

AQUARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 23)—Your scope of activities may be broadening now, so take full advantage of all opportunities offered.

PISCES (Dec. 23-Jan. 23)—An important journey may determine a business advancement. Take full advantage of it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 23-Feb. 23)—To solve a problem, make an important change in your life.

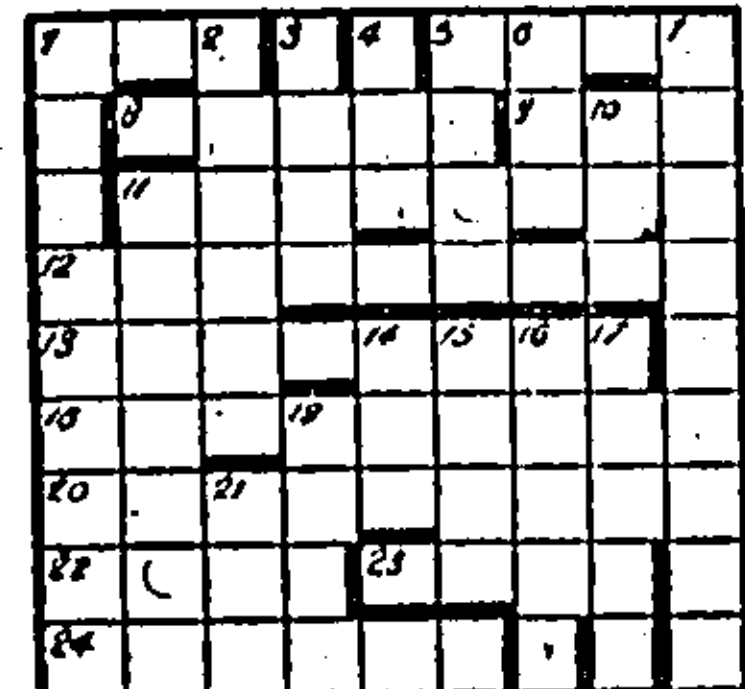
PISCES (Feb. 23-Mar. 23)—If there is an unexpected delay in a journey, it may all be for the best.

ARIES (Mar. 23-Apr. 23)—A journey seems to be on the schedule right now. If the unexpected occurs, be prepared for it.

Taurus (Apr. 23-May 23)—New friends and a new environment may bring added interest to all your plans for living. Be prepared for anything.

GEMINI (May 23-June 23)—Don't be surprised at any surprises today. Expect the unexpected and you will definitely be prepared for anything.

CROSSWORD



- Across
- The player should not play this side. (3)
 - Atlantic mountain? (4)
 - Some almanac. (5)
 - In my surroundings, this is cheerful. (6)
 - State ending in madness. (8)
 - Plain weight of foot. (10)
 - Star sign provides a surprise. (11)
 - On many tunnels down Chelsea way. (13)
 - American town—with collection of animals? (13, 23, 24 valley). (4)
 - Protection. (13, 23, 24 valley). (4)
 - My brother's son. (16)

- Down
- Frank, so poke out another way. (2)
 - Take fire. (9)
 - This is baby talk! (4)
 - Something worth having. (3)
 - Car talk to repair the ship. (3)
 - Bonny boys that please parents. (9)
 - Town in Capri-on-Sea. (9)
 - Founding of security? (11, 21)
 - Beauty. (7)
 - The dictionary says "a frohold" (11)
 - Not lifted, levelled. (5)
 - This side is close to the ship. (5)
 - Time round this and get climbing. (4)
 - Such service is not sincere. (3)

- Solution of yesterday's puzzle:
- Principle
 - Waltz
 - Star
 - Waltz
 - Waltz
 - Waltz
 - Waltz
 - Waltz
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Check Your Knowledge

- What part of an aeroplane is known as the "taileron?"
- Name the United States Secretary of War during World War I.
- Who founded the state of Virginia?
- What country leads in the world's production of linoleum?
- In Troy, what is the name of the man who made a great many mistakes?
- What do you understand by "plebeian?" (Answer on Page 10)

BARBS

By HAL COCHRAN

MANY a wife calls her husband the salt of the earth—and loves to shake him down.

A New Mexico college finds girls' grades top men's. Maybe it's just male courtesy to let the women be first.



A holdup man pointed a gun at a movie cashier in a Missouri town and told her to just act natural. So she screamed.

The cry of the menfolk who pay for milady's permanent—long live the kink!

What the average woman says goes—especially when she's talking about money.

INTELLIGENCE TEST

By T. O. HARE

THIS aptitude test (so they tell me) is a measure of your intelligence. It is a test of your ability to solve problems. It is a test of your ability to think logically. It is a test of your ability to understand the world around you. It is a test of your ability to make decisions. It is a test of your ability to take action. It is a test of your ability to achieve your goals. It is a test of your ability to live a successful life.

DUMB BELLS



JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Card Sleuth Works In Devious Ways

NORTH 11		EAST	
♠ 9	♠ 10	♠ 3	♠ 4
♥ 7	♥ 8	♥ 5	♥ 6
♦ 10	♦ 11	♦ 2	♦ 3
♣ 10	♣ 11	♣ 2	♣ 3
West (D)		East	
♠ 7	♠ 8	♠ 3	♠ 4
♥ 10	♥ 11	♥ 5	♥ 6
♦ 10	♦ 11	♦ 2	♦ 3
♣ 10	♣ 11	♣ 2	♣ 3
South		Both vul.	
♠ 10	♠ 11	♠ 3	♠ 4
♥ 10	♥ 11	♥ 5	♥ 6
♦ 10	♦ 11	♦ 2	♦ 3
♣ 10	♣ 11	♣ 2	♣ 3

By OSWALD JACOBY

IF you look at dummy's clubs in the hand shown today, you might wonder why South should bother to play the suit four times. The reason he does so, curiously enough, was to find out how to play the diamonds. This sounds like a foolish answer to a foolish question, but it really makes good sense.

West opened the king of hearts and properly decided to shift to a trump at the second trick. Dummy won, and declarer returned a club from dummy to assess the lack. It was sure that East did not have the ace of clubs since East's pass of one heart showed a hopelessly poor hand, but it was possible that East had the queen of clubs.

As it happened, of course, West won with the queen of clubs and returned his other trump. Dummy then led a club. West winning with the ace. West's only safe exit was a club, and South ruffed and drew East's last trump.

Now South led a low diamond and won a finesse with dummy's ten. Then he led dummy's last diamond, which was the queen. Having done so, he knew how to play the diamonds.

The point was that South wanted to lead a low diamond from his hand on the second round of that suit. West had begun with only two diamonds. However, West had begun with three diamonds. South wanted to lead the queen of diamonds for the second round of that suit.

When West followed to four rounds of clubs, he was fairly well marked with only two diamonds. West would have opened the bidding with one club rather than with one heart if he had two four-card suits. Hence West was marked with five hearts, four clubs, two trumps, and exactly two diamonds.

Acting on this information, South led his low king, and South was able to make his game contract by winning tricks with the queen and jack of diamonds.

CARD SENSE

Q—With neither side vulnerable your partner deals and bids one diamond. The next player doubles. You hold: Spades K-J-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2, Clubs A-Q-8-7-6-5-4-3-2, Hearts A-K-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2, Diamonds K-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2. What do you do?

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Answer tomorrow.

CHESS PROBLEM

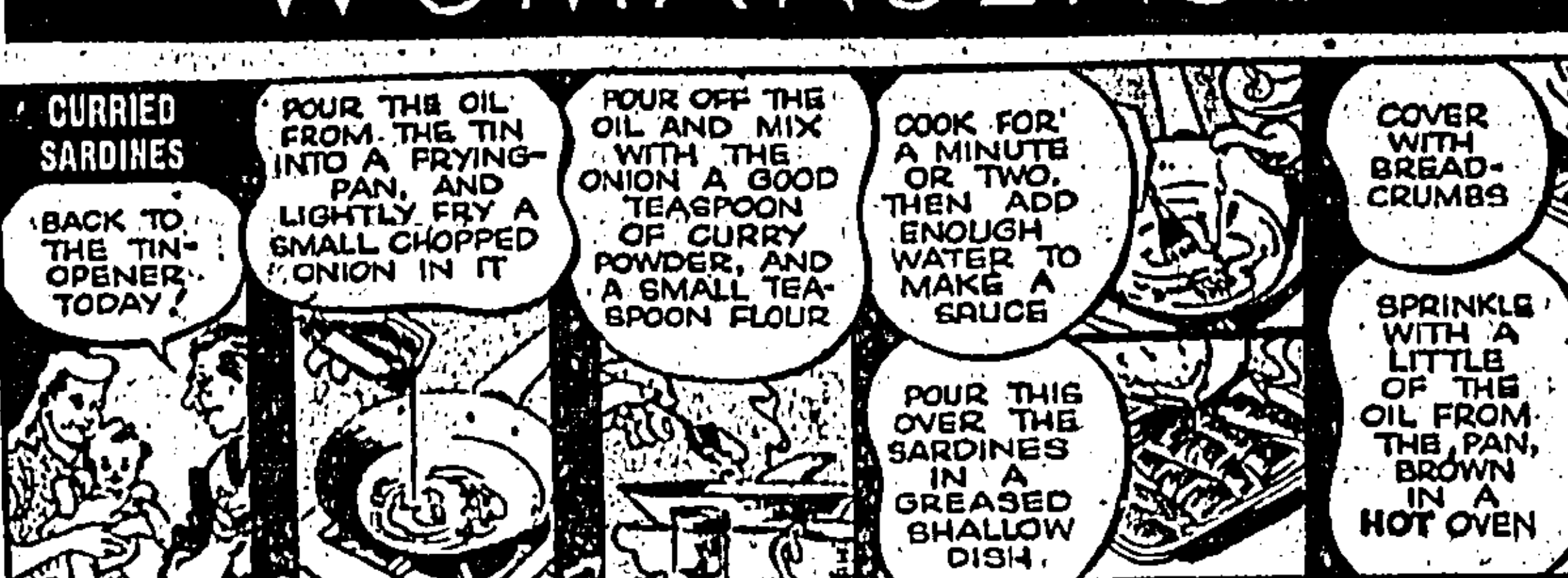
By W. J. SCHIFFS



White, 9 pieces. Black, 11 pieces.

Solution to yesterday's problem: 1. K1—K16, any; 2. Q, R, or K1—K16, any.

WOMANSENSE



Small Fry Party Frocks

CHILDREN'S party frocks by some London designers combine chic with practical qualities. In other words, fussiness is absent and a small girl can romp to her heart's content in a short dress or a long one, although the former is rapidly regaining its old popularity. The models sketched here are (left) a pale blue taffeta dress.



HAND BEAUTY TIP

While giving your arms a creamy thumb plenty of cream into your knuckles. That's where the hands first start to look old. Thumb from finger base to finger tips and give the pink shells a rousing friction. They live on the blood streams, and friction makes the blood streams active.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Hiawatha, the Indian Boy

—He Came Out From Behind the Bookcase—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF, the shadow-boy with the turned-about name, had almost fallen asleep in his corner of the room when he noticed something creeping out of one of the books on the bookshelf. For a moment he couldn't make out who or what it was. Then all at once the creeping thing stood up and he recognised little Hiawatha, the Indian boy.

"Hi there!" greeted Knarf. "What are you doing—creeping around like that?"

"I'm hunting," said Hiawatha. Hiawatha came over and sat down beside Knarf. Knarf saw that he was carrying a bow and some arrows. "That's what I'm hunting with," Hiawatha explained. "If I see a rabbit, I'm going to shoot it with my bow and arrow."

Knarf asked if that's how Indians always hunted.

"That's how my father and my grandfather hunted. They didn't have any guns."

Bow and Arrow

Knarf said he would like to try shooting with a bow and arrow. "It isn't very easy," said Hiawatha. "But I'll let you try it."

He gave Knarf the bow and one of the arrows and told him to aim it at something. Knarf aimed it at the door. "Oh no! A door is too easy to hit. Anybody can hit a door!" said Hiawatha. The next instant Hiawatha said: "Sh-h! I hear a rabbit coming!"

Sure enough, the next moment a pair of long ears followed by a head, four legs and a cottony tail, came hopping out of the book. It was a rabbit. Knarf drew the bow at once and pointed the arrow right at the rabbit.

The rabbit didn't seem the least bit frightened. It came hopping right up to Knarf and stood there in front of him.

Then, to Knarf's surprise, the rabbit said: "What are you trying to do, Knarf?"

"Why, I'm—," stammered Knarf, who didn't expect the rabbit to start talking to him. "I'm going to try to hit you with this bow and arrow."

"All right," said the rabbit. "I'll stand very still. Go ahead."

But Knarf, after taking aim again, put the bow and arrow down. "I can't do it," he said.

"Why not?" asked the rabbit in surprise. "I'm not moving, am I?"

"I don't want to hurt you," said Knarf.

"Oh," said the rabbit. "Will it hurt?"

"It certainly will," Hiawatha said to the rabbit when Knarf didn't answer.

"You'd better go away," said Knarf.

On hearing this the rabbit hopped back into the book. He vanished in a flash.

A Bigger Animal

"I'd rather shoot a bigger animal," said Knarf to Hiawatha. "I don't like hurting rabbits."

"Sh-h! I hear a bear coming!" Hiawatha announced.

Knarf glanced at the book. Yes, a bear was squeezing himself out from between the covers. He got himself all out and stood up on his hind legs, looking around. Knarf took aim. He drew the string of the bow back as far as he could. The arrow flew straight at the bear. "Ouch!" grunted the bear when the arrow stuck in his fur. He brushed it off. Then he burst out laughing. "What are you trying to do?" he said to Knarf.

Rupert says that it's high time he went home and he said so to his home the quickest way. Then you'd better go by the same old cloud ship, says Rupert. "If you come with me you'll have a good time," says Rupert. "I'll follow you to the end of the world," says Rupert. "I'll follow you to the end of the world," says Rupert.

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HONGKONG WILL SEE A WORLD CHAMPION IN ACTION

The coming visit of Johnny Leach to Hongkong for a series of exhibition matches will provide not only an opportunity to Hongkong sportsmen to see a world champion in action but also a great fighter who has once again put England on the top of the table tennis world.

Ever since Fred Perry won the world singles title 20 years ago, Continental stars, particularly those from Hungary and Czechoslovakia, and the Americans have dominated this field of sport.

Leach took up the game when he was 15 years old and before his 20th year he scored his first big win when he won the Irish Championship.

In 1948-1949 he surprised everybody by capturing the world title in Stockholm but his triumph, though a surprise, was no fluke.

The two Hungarians, Erzsébet and Soos, the American ace, Miles, and the redoubtable Czech, Vana (world champion in 1938 and 1947) all stood in his way, but Leach beat all of them.

He did not fare so well in the 1949-1950 championship which was won by another Englishman, Richard Bergman, but in 1950-1951 Leach regained his title.

Today, at 28 years of age, Leach in addition to being the 1948-1949 and 1950-1951 World Champion, is also the current Men's Singles Champion of the USA, France, Belgium and Wales, the Men's Doubles Champion of England, the USA, Belgium and Wales and the Mixed Doubles Champion of the USA, Belgium and Wales.

Of Leach's game Victor Barna says: "His game is not that of a genius. Leach learned and perfected all his strokes, incidentally proving that one does not need to be 'born' a champion. Champions can be made by sheer hard work, first-class coaching, and constant practice. Johnny has no weakness: he plays equally well from backhand and forehand. He is blessed with a marvellous match temperament, and he has the rare knack of raising his game and playing at peak form when it's most needed."

Leach is now on a world tour and is being accompanied by 35-year old Michel Haguenauer, the French Table Tennis Champion, who has been representing France in all her international matches since 1938. Haguenauer is 6 ft. 2 ins. tall but is amazingly agile for a man of his size.

— "OBSERVER"



Johnny Leach, World Table Tennis Champion, who is to visit Hongkong with the French star, Michel Haguenauer.

LEAGUE TENNIS

South China Clash With CRC Today

The league tennis season's feature match will be played this afternoon at King's Park, when South China and Chinese Recreation Club clash in the decision for the Men's "A" Division title.

With Ip Koon-hung away at Wimbledon and Gordon Lum having taken up an appointment in Borneo, South China's chances of wresting the title from the Tai Hang Club are considered very remote.

Chinese Recreation Club are expected to field their best team available with the Tsui brothers, V. T. Wang, K. C. Dao, George Choo and Lee Wai-long.

The South China line-up will probably consist of Edwin Tsui, Patrick Poon, Leon Sia, Chen Yick, Rock Liang and either Szeto Bick or Toni Liang.

YESTERDAY'S SCORES

MIXED "B" DIVISION

R. Tay and Mrs. S. Chiu (CCC) beat M. Ribeiro and A. Silva 6-0, 6-0. Remedios and Miss M. Figueiredo, 6-2, beat M. A. Oliveira and Mrs. A. Silva, 6-0. Ribeiro and Mrs. Silva beat Ribeiro and Mrs. Silva 6-4, 6-2. Ribeiro and Mrs. Silva beat Ribeiro and Mrs. Silva 6-4, 6-2. Ribeiro and Mrs. Silva beat Ribeiro and Mrs. Silva 6-4, 6-2.

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County Cricket Results

London, June 26. The following were the results of first-class county cricket matches played today:

At Tunbridge Wells: Sussex beat Kent by an innings and 99 runs. Sussex 389 for five declared. Kent 156 and 109. (D. Edrich 56 not out, Cornford, right-arm fast medium bowler five for 36).

At Hinkley: The match between Leicestershire and Middlesex was abandoned as a draw. There was no play today because of rain. Leicestershire 241 and 143 for four, Middlesex 202.

At Chesterfield: Lancashire beat Derbyshire by 15 runs. Lancashire 185 and 144, Derbyshire 180 and 154 (Hilton, left-arm slow bowler, six for 70).

At Sheffield: Yorkshire beat Nottinghamshire by an innings and 33 runs. Nottinghamshire 244 and 131 (Trueman, right-arm fast bowler, eight for 68); Yorkshire 408 for eight declared.

At North: Glamorgan beat Worcester by an innings and 106 runs. Glamorgan 384 for nine declared; Worcester 173 and 106 (McConnon, right-arm offspin bowler, seven for 30).

At Basingstoke: Hampshire beat Oxford University by 43 runs. Hampshire 183 and 200 for five declared; Oxford University 133 and 267 (Whitcombe 104, Carr 61).

At Dublin: Gentlemen of Scotland beat Gentlemen of Ireland by three wickets. Gentlemen of Ireland 303 and 143 for seven declared (Bergin 72 not out); Gentlemen of Scotland 220 and 221 for seven (Nichol 100).

At Bristol: Warwickshire beat Gloucestershire by eight wickets. Gloucestershire 330 and 103 (Dodd 50, Fitchard, right-arm fast bowler, five for 42); Warwickshire 374 for nine declared and 121 for two.

At Guildford: The match between Surrey and Cambridge University was drawn. Cambridge University 340 for seven declared and 110 for one declared (Sheppard 60 not out); Surrey 220 and 100 for five.

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KEN SMITH Show Talking

The Star Who Can't Stop Washing Her Hair

LONDON. MEET the girl who has been washing her hair 20 times a week for more than two years—and who faces the prospect of washing it 1,000 times more before the end of next year.

She is Mary Martin, star of the Broadway hit *South Pacific*. Since the musical opened in March, 1949, she has washed her hair in public during 900 performances—all for the sake of the script.

She sings "I'm going to wash that man right out of my hair" while she's under a shower.

But before the show she has to wash it to keep it curly. And after the show she has to wash it to make sure that all the soap is out.

"On ordinary days, three times," said Mary. "On matinee days four—altogether 2,500 times."

AT THE MOMENT Mary's got a break. She has left the show on Broadway, will reappear in it at Drury Lane in November for another year of hair-washing.

Mary has not been seen in London since she starred in Noel Coward's *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*—also a musical, also at Drury Lane, also with the word "Pacific" in the title, also with a South Seas plantation set as the opening scene.

Mary is not superstitious, but—just in case London does not take to *South Pacific*—she is not renting a home in London. She is staying at an hotel.

"If it is a hit over here, I'll look for a house."

MARY IS ALSO booked to play the lead in the next Richard Rodgers-Oscar Hammerstein II musical, expected to be ready in 1953.

What is it about? "At the moment it's a big secret," she says.

DRURY LANE SALE?

INCIDENTALLY, American friends tell me that Rodgers and Hammerstein are bidding for Drury Lane.

LAWN BOWLS TEAMS

The following are Club rinks for League Lawn Bowls fixtures today, Saturday and Wednesday, July 4:

KCC
1st Division v. Crutchever Cricket Club at Happy Valley on Saturday. O. Lee, W. J. Howard, R. S. Capelli, E. C. Fitcher, W. Colledge, D. Ross, G. W. Thompson, T. E. Baker, J. N. Wong, W. Hong-Sing.

2nd Division v. Indian Recreation Club at Cox's Road on Saturday. H. Gittins, L. Bence, E. Ver, F. Hughes, R. B. Robertson, W. C. Simpson, J. W. Tindall, K. Hodie, E. Burrows, McKelvie, H. J. S. Dinneen, M. S. McKay, G. C. Norman.

3rd Division v. Crutchever Cricket Club at Happy Valley on Saturday. O. Lee, W. J. Howard, R. S. Capelli, E. C. Fitcher, W. Colledge, D. Ross, G. W. Thompson, T. E. Baker, J. N. Wong, W. Hong-Sing.

4th Division v. Crutchever Cricket Club at Happy Valley on Saturday. O. Lee, W. J. Howard, R. S. Capelli, E. C. Fitcher, W. Colledge, D. Ross, G. W. Thompson, T. E. Baker, J. N. Wong, W. Hong-Sing.

5th Division v. Crutchever Cricket Club at Happy Valley on Saturday. O. Lee, W. J. Howard, R. S. Capelli, E. C. Fitcher, W. Colledge, D. Ross, G. W. Thompson, T. E. Baker, J. N. Wong, W. Hong-Sing.

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I hope it isn't true. I'm resigned to the procession of American shows there for five years (Pacific 1860 was the last British play there) but I don't want to see the Stars and Stripes over the theatre.

HOLLYWOOD MAY be having a tough time making money-making films, but not too tough to now pushing British stars. Now the producer-director team of the Boulting Brothers has succumbed. They go to

are wasted. If it is a success you're committed to hard labour—perhaps for years."

NEWTON RETURNING Robert Newton will not return to Britain after his tour to film *Blackbeard the Pirate* in England for RKO-Radio.

The trouble is he can't go until Gabriel Pascal decides to make *Androcles and the Lion*, and he's been trying to decide that for years. In Britain they call it "the never-never film" in Hollywood the "will-it-won't-it" picture.

WEST END THEATRE and cinema managers are calling the Festival the Festival Six weeks after the opening they are still waiting for the flood of visitors into their theatres. Instead, their takings have dropped.

Why? "After several hours at the Festival people are either too tired to go to the theatre, or have no money left."

ONLY ONE THEATRE—CAL manager is happy about the Festival: Robert Atkins, who is presenting *A Midsummer Night's Dream* at the Open Air Theatre in Regent's Park all this summer. It is attracting 6,000 people a week.

WITHIN A FORTNIGHT two great friends will be leading Britain's biggest show-bus battle—from opposing camps.

They are Gloria Nord, 26-year-old star of *Roller-Skating Vampires* of 1951, now at Wembley, and Barbara Ann Scott, the lead of *Rose Marie* on Ice, due at Harringay on July 5.

Their aim: To draw from the pockets of the crowds at least £100,000 each—and as much more as they can. For £200,000 is the total cost of the two shows.

WHAT DO THE GIRLS think of the battle? "We're great friends," they say. Gloria said: "I hope Barbara has a big success. She is a superb skater."

Barbara said: "Gloria is a wonderful skater. She will have a great success."

And when the limelights dim and the grease paint and the skates are taken off, Gloria and Barbara will get together as often as they can—just two good friends.

The How They Got Their Start Dept: Alec Guinness was an advertising copywriter and lay-out man. One day he sent the blockmakers a picture to make into a four-inch block. But the block didn't arrive. He phoned the firm and was told: "We're having a little difficulty, but it'll be along."

Sure enough, it turned up—in a plain van, carried by two perspiring men. Alec had marked the print in feet instead of inches.

So Alec became an actor.

DONALD'S FIRST FILM News From Round About: Donald Peters' first film will show him as an old-fashioned widower.

A new musical written by Paul Vincent Carroll may tempt Grace Fields back to the film studio. Glynis Johns has had to put back her marriage to Anthony Darnley, scheduled for August, until later in the autumn. She is to do a play on Broadway.

Beatrice Lillie had a tough audience at the Cafe de Paris recently. It included the Oliviers and their party, Danny Kaye, Orson Welles, Mr. Hobson, the Dons, Fairbanks. But everything was fine; she was a terrific success....

For Christmas we are promised Walt Disney's *Alce in Wonderland*, and Abbott and Costello in *Jack and The Beanstalk*.

12 Entries For Water Polo League

The 1951 Water Polo League season, which is scheduled to begin on July 9 has so far attracted 12 entries—four more than last year.

To allow more teams to participate, the League Committee have extended the closing date for entries to July 6.

The 12 teams which have entered the league (two Eastern, Chung Sing (two teams), Fortuna, VRC, Hoi Ting, South China, RAF Foreign YMCA, Army and Navy, the last four being the additional entries this year.

Holdings of the championship are Chung Sing, who last year ended Eastern's dominance in this branch of sports with a 5-2 triumph in the deciding match.

Since then, however, Chung Sing have lost three valuable players. The Wong brothers, Wong Kam-wah and Wong Kwai-chee, will be turning out for the Chinese Y and the top goal-scorer of last season, Chung Chung-yue has signed up for Fortuna.

Top favourites for this year's championship will be Fortuna, who will have what is generally considered an almost unbeatable line-up with Leung Chak-to in goal, Chan Wai-wan, Leung Wai-sang and Tsui Hang in the defence and Chung Chung-yue, Cheong Kin-man and William Tso in the forward line.

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Hongkong Cagers Do It Again

Singapore, June 25. Eleven thousand basketball fans watched the Hongkong All-Star cagers defeat Nanyang Sheng Pao, Malaysian Champions, 52-40 in a thrilling game last night. The winning shot being scored in the last minute. — Our Own Correspondent.

THE GAMBOLS



CHEER UP GEORGE—AT LEAST THEY'VE DIFFERENT HORSES FROM THE ONES WE LOST ON LAST WEEK

